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## **Alexander Announces NASA Funding for Lincoln Parish Schools**

### ***Provides Nearly \$1.4 Million for NASA-themed Program***

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – U.S. Rep. Rodney Alexander, R-Quitman, today announced that the Lincoln Parish School Board will receive a grant in the amount of \$1,393,637 from NASA.

NASA will award \$11.5 million in grants nationwide to public school districts, state-based education leadership, and not-for-profit education organizations as part of a program begun by Congress in FY 2008.

The proposal by the Lincoln Parish School Board was one of nine chosen and was selected based on a merit-based, peer-reviewed competition. The curriculum utilizes hands-on projects to interlace NASA Applications, Fundamentals, Technology and Communication.

**“Being one of the select few in the United States chosen for this NASA funding is truly impressive,”** said Alexander. **“I am confident our students will greatly benefit from such unique and progressive learning content.”**

According to NASA, each grant is expected to leverage NASA’s contributions in science, technology, engineering and mathematics education, enhance secondary students’ academic experiences, and improve educators’ abilities to engage and stimulate their students.

**“I commend the Lincoln Parish School District for launching such an innovative education program,”** continued Alexander. **“I am excited to know the funding will be in their hands soon.”**

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